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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: R.D. Hibbs et al. Attorney Docket No.: HREL121731  
Application No.: 10/687,453 Art Unit: 3632 / Confirmation No.: 8781  
Filed: October 15, 2003 Examiner: A. King  
Title: APPARATUS FOR SECURING A CAP OF A CONTAINER TO AN  
EXTERNAL STRUCTURE

RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL LETTER/  
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

December 20, 2005

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

A. Response Transmittal

Transmitted herewith is a response to an Office Action in the above-identified application. No additional claim fee is required.

B. Petition for Extension of Time

Applicants respectfully request that the shortened statutory period for response to the outstanding Office Action dated August 29, 2005, set to expire on November 29, 2005, be extended by 1 month, to expire on 12/29/2005. The enclosed check includes the 1-month extension fee of \$60.

C. Fees Enclosed

Enclosed is our Check No. 167844 in the amount of \$60 to cover the required fee for the request for extension of time.

Respectfully submitted,

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